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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Subject: Relationship Between CIG and SWNCC

- 1. NIA Directive No. 1, paragraph 2 provides that "The Central Intelligence Group will furnish strategic and national policy intelligence to the President and the State, War and Navy Departments, and, as appropriate, to the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other governmental departments and agencies having strategic and policy functions related to the national security."
- 2. On October 1, 1946 CIG initiated consideration of the closest possible CIG-SWNCC relationship. On November 20, 1946 SWNCC agreed to certain liaison procedures which were issued for SWNCC information in SWNCC 330/1, and for CIG information in CIG Directive No. 17 of December 5, 1946. Operational details were subsequently issued in CIG Operations Memorandum No. 6 of 22 January 1947.
- 3. Until recently CRE has not, in the opinion of ICAPS, been sufficiently staffed fully to implement the responsibility assigned CIG by paragraph 2 of NIA Directive No. 1, quoted above. It is ICAPS belief that ORE is now competent to meet the requirements of SWNCC for national intelligence in the SWNCC development of national policy.
- 4. Currently SWNCC is preparing a series of policy papers on economic aid, the outline of which indicates that certain sections will be devoted to intelligence background.
- 5. In discussion with members of the SWNCC Secretariat, CIG officers have determined that there is an appreciable desire on the part of the Secretariat for intelligence contributions from CIG. This desire is not apparently shared by the ad hoc committee on economic aid, created by SWNCC for the preparation of the economic policies.
- 6. In the opinion of ICAPS, CIG should supply the national intelligence background, against which SWNCC should develop national economic policy. Instead this assignment has been placed elsewhere.
- 7. In the belief that a basic principle is involved, ICAPS recommends that the Director of Central Intelligence make a personal approach to Major General John H. Hildring, Chairman of the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee to establish an acquaintanceship and to create the opportunity for discussion of the interrelationship of SWNCC and CIG.

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